



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Miller et al.

Art Unit: 1631

Application No. 09/629,557

Filed: July 31, 2000

For: METHODS FOR PREDICTING THE
BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL
PROPERTIES OF MOLECULES FROM THEIR
SPECTRAL PROPERTIES

Examiner: Marianne P. Allen

Date: May 5, 2003

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AMENDMENT

This responds to the final Office action dated February 3, 2003. A two-month period for response was set, making a reply due by April 3, 2003. A one-month extension is requested, making a response due by May 5, 2003.

Also enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. This Amendment is the required submission for the RCE. The required fee for the RCE is also enclosed. The RCE is proper because prosecution in the application is closed by the final Office action dated February 3, 2003, and the RCE is being filed before the application has become abandoned or an issue fee paid.

Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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